Assessment of schemes for Industrial Development of Gujarat

1450. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the impact of various chemes meant for development of industrially backward and no-industry districts in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the present status of these districts so far as their industrialisation is concenrd;

(d) whether Government have since discontinued any of these schemes; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e) The Central Government was operating a scheme for development of infrastructure in the 'No Industry Districts' under which 1/3rd of the project cost was funded by the Government of India. However no such project was approved in the Dangs district of Gujarat which is the only district in the category of 'No Industry Districts'. With the introduction of the new Growth Centre Scheme 1988, the 'No Industry Districts' scheme was withdrawn.

Production of rubber in Punjab

1451. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of progress made in the production by rubber industries in the State of Punjab; and

(b) what are the details of assistance provided by he Central Government to the Rubber Industry in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) The value of production of rubber and plastic goods in the state of Punjab grew from Rs. 427 crores in 1990-91 to Rs. 616 crores in 1992-93. Separate figures of value of production of rubber goods alone are not available.

(b) An Industrial Development Centre for rubber goods has already set up at Jalandhar for providing common facility services to the small scale rubber goods manufacturing units. This centre is also providing the facility of testing rubber goods to such units. A Rubber Goods Complex to promote rubber goods industry is also proposed to be set up at Jallandhar. Besides, a research and development Centre is also proposed to be set up at Jallandhar under United Nations Development Programme.

Rubber industries in Punjab

1452. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of rubber industries particularly in the State of Punjab;

(b) what is the size of labour force in the said industry;

(c) what is the number out of them working for the last three years;

(d) whether any rubber industry is lying closed in Punjab;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) what effective measure have been taken by Government with regard to setting up more rubber industries in the State?